

IN THE CLAIMS

1. A method of acquisition of participants in a video telephony session comprising the steps of:

- 5 building a visual enumeration list of humans in the video telephony session for the camera to focus on;
determining locations of the humans; and
controlling the camera to hop from directly from human to human.

2. The method of Claim 1 wherein said building step includes highlighting a human and prompting users to identify if that human is to be included.

3. The method of Claim 1 wherein each person's face is tagged in a training session and the humans to be included are called out or otherwise determined by the tag.

4. The method of Claim 1 wherein the locations of the human faces are determined and stored.

5. The method of Claim 1 wherein the building step includes comparing a stored bit map of the faces of participants with a received bit map from the camera and the locating step determines the locations of the faces in the image.

6. The method of Claim 1 wherein the camera includes a drive circuit responsive to the stored locations for driving the camera to focus on the faces.

20 7. The method of Claim 1 including the step of designating a target person in a whisper target mode, and diverting videophone mike and speakers out of shared audio to private conversation.

8. The method of Claim 7 including the step of automatically calling designated person's private phone when designating a target person as the whisper target.

9. The method of Claim 8 wherein the designated target person's cellphone is called.

10. The method of Claim 7 wherein said designating step includes highlighting the target person on the video screen.

11. The method of Claim 7 wherein said designating step includes removing all other humans on the screen but the target person.

12. The method of Claim 7 including the step of escaping from the whisper mode using a remote.

13. The method of Claim 1 including the step of a voyeurism mode designating a target person for viewing without notice.

14. The method of Claim 13 wherein said camera on the other end zooms on the target person for viewing.

15. The method of Claim 13 wherein the target person's view of user's view only has a freeze frame view of user's view before going into the voyeurism mode.

16. The method of Claim 13 including the step of escaping from the voyeurism mode using a remote.